

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Sobhi SAUOB et al

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For: Compositions Derived From Portulaca
Oleracea L. And Methods Of Using Same For
Modulating Blood Glucose Levels

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Sir:

This is in response to the United States Patent and Trademark Restriction Office Action mailed October 12, 2007, which response is being made on March 12, 2008, and for which a four-month extension of time fee is due.

Applicants hereby elect Group III, namely Claims 115-129 and 141-149, drawn to a first composition comprising polar extract of *Portulaca oleracea*.

With respect to the species election, Applicant elects polar extracts using methanol:ethanol:water (1:1:1). It is believed that claims 115-125, 129, 141-144, 148 and 149 are readable on the elected species,

Applicants reserve the right to file, at a later date, additional divisional applications claiming priority from the present application which are directed to the non-elected Group and species.

Respectfully submitted,

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